Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the Application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An *in vitro* method for producing dendritic cells from pluripotential cells, comprising contacting the pluripotential cells with a factor for a time sufficient for the pluripotential cells to mature and express <u>a characteristics characteristic</u> of dendritic cells, wherein the characteristic is selected from the group consisting of increased CD83 expression, increased CD86 expression, decreased CD115 expression, and decreased CD32 expression relative to the pluripotential cells.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the pluripotential cells are CD14 positive mononuclear pluripotential cells.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the pluripotential cells are peripheral blood mononuclear cells.
 - 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the pluripotential cells are monocytes.
 - 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the factor comprises GM-CSF.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the factor further comprises a cytokine selected from the group consisting of IL-4; IL-13; IL-4 and IL-1 β ; IL-13 and IL-1 β ; IL-4 and IL-17, IL-13 and IL-18, IL-4 and IL-18, IL-13 and IL-13 and IL-12; IL-4 and IL-13 and IL-12; IL-4 and stem cell factor, IL-13 and stem cell factor; IL-4 and IL-15; and IL-13 and IL-15.
 - 7-9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Previously Added) The method of claim 6, wherein the GM-CSF is present at a concentration of between about 200 U/ml to about 2000 U/ml.
- 11. (Previously Added) The method of claim 1, wherein the dendritic cells express high levels of MHC class molecules.
- 12. (Previously Added) The method of claim 1, wherein the dendritic cells have the capacity to stimulating resting T cells.